

FOR RELEASE: 08/22/2018
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SUBJECT: Special Antlerless Only Deer Hunt Scheduled at Sandhill

BABCOCK – A one-day antlerless deer hunt will be offered this year at Sandhill Wildlife Area, a 9,150-acre state experimental hunting area in Central Wisconsin. The one-day antlerless white-tailed deer hunt will be held on Saturday, November 10th, 2018. Each successful applicant will receive one bonus antlerless permit valid only within Sandhill for the weekend indicated on the permit.

Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis by either mail or walk-in at the Sandhill Wildlife Area. The hunt will be limited to the first 100 completed applications received. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. No telephone, fax, or email registrations will be accepted. **Application deadline is September 9th.** Only individuals with valid permits for this hunt will be allowed to enter Sandhill Wildlife Area.

The hunt is being conducted by the Department of Natural Resources to reduce the deer herd within the 9,150-acre wildlife area, located west of Babcock in Wood County. “Following three consecutive mild winters, this special hunt opportunity is necessary to adjust population levels and sex ratios to achieve the deer management goals desired on Sandhill”, stated Darren Ladwig, Wildlife Biologist stationed in Friendship. To enroll in the hunt, individuals must complete a 2018 Sandhill Antlerless Deer Permit Application, currently available at all Department of Natural Resources Service Centers, Sandhill Wildlife Area, and online at:

<https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/lands/WildlifeAreas/sandhill/calendar.html>

All selected participants are required to attend a one-hour clinic on September 29th at the Sandhill Outdoor Skills Center located on the wildlife area in Babcock, WI. Clinic fees are \$20 for adults and \$15 for youths 15 and under. Do not send fee payment with initial application. Selected applicants will receive a confirmation letter or email along with clinic information, and payment instructions which will be due by September 21st. Once times of clinics are assigned no changes will be made. Participants will be issued their bonus permits at end of their clinic.

Please read application for complete rules and restrictions.

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